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WEEKLY CROP WEATHER SUMMARY	MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE
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Another hot and humid week has had an impact on crops around the state. Freshly cut hay is having a difficult time drying while corn growth continues to accelerate due to the above average temperatures and moisture. The tasseling of field corn has reached the midway point with 54 percent complete, matching the 5-year average. Farmers are also experiencing difficulty with planting of second-crop soybeans due to the precipitation last week. There were **4.3 days** suitable for field work.

Fruits were rated in mostly good condition. **Apples** were rated 2 percent poor, 7 percent fair, 89 percent good, and 2 percent excellent. **Peaches** were rated 5 percent poor, 19 percent fair, 70 percent good, and 6 percent excellent.

Pasture was rated 2 percent very poor, 6 percent poor, 32 percent fair, 44 percent good, and 16 percent excellent while **hay supplies** were rated 7 percent very short, 10 percent short, 79 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus.

CASH GRAINS - REGIONAL - (\$/bu) DEALERS AVERAGE CASH QUOTES									
Grade and Commodity	#2 Y Shelled Corn		#2 Yellow Soybeans		#2 Red Winter Wheat		#3 Barley		
Date	07/13	07/20	07/13	07/20	07/13	07/20	07/13	07/20	
Western Md	2.43	2.41	6.68	6.50	3.00	3.05	1.64	1.74	
Central MD	2.49	2.51	6.57	6.45	3.29	3.27	1.40	1.40	
Southern MD	2.24	2.24	6.61	6.61	2.98	2.93	----	----	
Upper E. Shore	2.37	2.37	6.69	6.69	----	----	----	----	
Lower E. Shore	2.48	2.46	6.80	6.83	3.03	3.05	1.41	1.41	
Soybean Meal	Lower Eastern Shore				Dealer's Average Cash quotes (\$/ton)				
Date	07/13		07/20		Date		07/13		07/20
48% Soybean Meal	249.00		249.00		44% Soybean Meal		237.00		237.00
FORWARD CONTRACT PRICE-REGIONAL (\$/BU) for Harvest delivery Dealer's Avg Quotes									
Grade and Commodity	#2 Y Shelled Corn		#2 Yellow Soybeans		#2 Red Winter Wheat		#3 Barley		
Date	07/13	07/20	07/13	07/20	07/13	07/20	07/13	07/20	
Western Md	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	
Central MD	2.54	2.52	6.73	6.45	----	----	----	----	
Southern MD	2.32	2.32	6.78	6.78	----	----	----	1.45	
Upper E Shore	2.45	2.45	6.83	6.83	----	----	----	1.45	
Lower E Shore	2.52	2.53	6.92	6.96	----	----	1.33	----	
GRAIN FUTURES- Chicago Board of Trade (\$/bu) Settle - July 20, 2005									
Corn		Soybeans		Wheat		Soybean Meal/ ¹			
05Sep	241.40	05Aug	684.40	05Sep	333.20	05Aug	214.10		
05Dec	252.20	05Sep	688.60	05Dec	348.20	05Sep	214.30		
06Mar	258.20	05Nov	694.40	06Mar	360.60	05Oct	213.80		
06May	260.60	06Jan	696.40	06May	366.00	05Dec	214.90		
06Jul	262.20	06Mar	688.00	06Jul	367.00	06Jan	214.00		
06Sep	257.40	06May	677.40	06Sep	372.00	06Mar	213.50		

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HAY AND STRAW											
New Holland, PA - \$/ton - July 18, 2005 - 65 Loads											
Alfalfa		Mixed Hay		Timothy		Orchardgrass		Straw			
85.00-175.00		85.00-195.00		105.00-195.00		75.00		100.00-165.00			
Westminster, MD - \$/bale - July 19, 2005 - 52 Lots											
Alfalfa		Alfalfa Mix		Timothy		Timothy Mix		Grass Mix			
2.00-2.60		2.30-3.70		1.90-3.60		1.50-2.60		2.00-4.70			
								Straw			
								1.50-2.60			
POULTRY (Grade A) - Week Ending - July 23, 2005											
		<u>Current Week</u>		<u>Week Ago</u>		<u>Month Ago</u>		<u>Year Ago</u>			
NY Wtd Avg. (Fryers)		58.83		72.65		72.61		83.15			
12 City Composite		63.60		72.93		73.09		83.79			
LAMBS - Westminster, MD - \$/cwt - July 19, 2005											
Lambs		30-50 lbs		90.00-120.00		Sheep		48.00-79.00			
		60-110 lbs		92.50-122.50		Yearlings		70.00-110.00			
TERMINAL MARKETS HOGS - July 20, 2005					DIRECT MARKET HOGS - Westminster, MD - July 19, 2004						
Base Price Range		<u>Carcass Basis</u>		<u>Sows (1-3)</u>		US#1		215-260 lbs			
a.m.		Base 185 lb Hog		300-449 lbs				49.00-49.50			
								292-590 lbs			
Eastern Cornbelt		60.62-67.00		35.91-43.00		Sows		33.00-38.00			
Iowa, Minn		58.50-68.50		37.00-44.79		Lite Boars		35.00			
								35.00			
								Millsboro, DE Market Hogs - (\$/cwt) - 41.00-44.25			
FEEDER PIGS - (\$/cwt) -											
Gumboro, DE					New Holland, PA -						
Head:		Trend: None			Head: None		Trend: All went to slaughter				
CATTLE-LIVE FUTURES-Chicago Mercantile Exchange (\$/cwt) - July 20, 2005					HOGS-LEAN FUTURES-Chicago Mercantile Exchange (\$/cwt) - July 20, 2005						
Aug05		79.43		Feb06		85.85		Aug05		67.98	
Oct05		81.58		Apr06		84.30		Feb06		58.35	
Dec05		83.68		Jun06		79.60		Oct05		58.40	
								Apr06		57.45	
								Dec05		56.05	
								May06		60.00	
STOCKER-FEEDER CATTLE - (\$/cwt)											
Winchester, VA - July 18, 2005					Westminster, MD - July 19, 2005						
Steers		300-400 lbs		125.00-138.50		Steers		300-500 lbs		103.00-119.00	
		400-500 lbs		121.00-129.50				500-700 lbs		79.00-103.00	
		500-600 lbs		110.00-122.00							
		600-700 lbs		103.00-115.00							
		700-800 lbs		99.50-102.00		Heifers		200-300 lbs		95.00-134.00	
		800-900 lbs		91.00- 94.00				400-500 lbs		86.00-106.00	
								600-700 lbs		67.00-78.00	
Heifers		300-400 lbs		115.00-125.50							
		400-500 lbs		105.00-115.00							
		500-600 lbs		104.00-107.50							
		600-700 lbs		99.00-103.50							
		700-800 lbs		94.00- 95.00							
		800-900 lbs		91.00							
SLAUGHTER CATTLE (\$/cwt)											
Westminster, MD - July 19, 2005											
Fed Steers					Fed Heifers						
Choice		78.00-82.00			Choice		79.50-82.50				
Select		74.00-78.00			Select		67.50-74.75				
Holsteins - Ch		71.75-78.00			Heiferetts		59.00-66.00				
1070-1230 lbs		61.00-70.00			Hols bull Calves #1		135.00-160.00				
					#2		100.00-132.50				
Cows					Jerseys		12.50-47.50				
High Dressing		56.50-60.00			Heifers #2		150.00-280.00				
Breakers		47.00-53.00			Beef Cross		90.00-135.00				
Boners		41.50-46.00									
Thin + Weak		36.00-Down									
Lancaster, New Holland & Vintage - July 21 2005											
Sltr Steers: H Ch & Pr 2-4		1220-1490 lbs			78.25-80.00						
Choice 2-3		1250-1490 lbs			76.50-77.50						
Hols. Steers: Choice 2-3		1330-1580 lbs			67.75-69.75						
H Sel & Lo Ch 1-3		1280-1580 lbs			62.25-66.75						
Sltr Cows: 75-80% lean					51.50-54.50						